MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Are there papers "useful" and "not useful.".

PRESIDENT: That is from the standpoint of the member who spoke and not from the standpoint of Government.

Memorial of Dr. Mrs. Lukose.

162. ✻**MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI** (*Qulon I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether Dr. Mrs. Lukose, Surgeon in charge of the Women and Children's Hospital, Trivandrum, has submitted a memorial to Government on the action taken by Government in connection with the complaints from one Mr. K. R. Das, Aloomood, Statue Road, Trivandrum ;

(*b*) if so, whether Government will lay it on the table

(*c*) whether Government have taken any action on the memorial ; and

(*d*) if so, what action has been taken ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No. The memorial is treated as confidential.

(*c*) and (*d*) It is under the consideration of Government.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know, Sir, whether the increase of pay granted to Dr. Mrs. Lukose is on the basis of the memorial submitted ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) . No increase of pay has been granted to Mrs. Lukose.

MR. K. KUNJUKRIHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know whether the personal allowance has been added as personal pay to her ?

RAO SAHID DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : Mrs. Lukose was getting a personal allowance of Rs. 150 and that is being continued.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know whether her emolument as Senior Surgeon of the Women and Children's Hospital has been increased ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): As Senior Surgeon she was getting a pay of Rs.600. She was also getting an allowance of Rs. 150 and this allowance is being continued now also.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): Is she not the Deputy Darbar Physician now ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): She is Deputy Darbar Physician and will continue as such till 32nd Karkatakam. After that, she will be the Superintendent of the Women and Children's Hospital.

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MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): Am I to understand that the additional emolument that she will get is for her duties as Senior Surgeon of the Women and Children's Hospital?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): As Superintendent of the Women and Children's Hospital.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I take it that it is independent of the claims pressed in the memorial?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The memorial relates to an entirely different matter and not to her pay.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I take it that this increase of emoluments as Superintendent of the Women and Children's Hospital is independent of the considerations placed before Government in the memorial?

PRESIDENT: The Honourable member uses the expression "increase of emoluments" which the Government member denies.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know whether Government have not admitted that there is some increase in her emoluments as Superintendent of the Women and Children's Hospital?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Sir, Mrs. Lukose was getting a pay of Rs. 600 as Surgeon of the Women and Children's Hospital and also an allowance of Rs. 150. Now as Superintendent of the Women and Children's Hospital, she gets Rs. 600 *plus* Rs. 150. There is therefore no increase, Sir.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): So she is now getting Rs. 150 more as Superintendent of the Hospital?

PRESIDENT: There is no Superintendent's place created in the Women and Children's Hospital yet according to the Government Member. It will come into force from 1st Chingom next.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): When it comes into force, may I know whether it is not an increase in her emoluments as Superintendent of the Hospital?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I do not think so. She has been getting Rs. 750 and she is going to get the same amount from 1st Chingom 1110 also.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): Was she getting Rs. 150 for supervising the affairs of the Women and Children's Hospital?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I cannot say for what particular purpose she was getting the allowance.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): Was she not getting that allowance as Deputy Darbar Physician?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): She was also the Deputy Darbar Physician and was given, besides her pay, an allowance of Rs. 150. I may also inform the House that Mrs. Lukose was getting an allowance of Rs. 150 even before she became the Deputy Darbar Physician.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know whether she was the Palace Doctor before she became Deputy Darbar Physician?

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RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I think so, for some time.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Rural*): Am I to undertand that the Official Member is not in a position to tell us why she was given this allowance of Rs. 150 at first?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Not at present. She was given this allowance years ago and I cannot say why at that time it was given to her.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Rural*): Are there not records to show why she was given this allowance?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I claim notice. I must look into the records.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon II*): By her being the Superintendent, is her work more or less than what it was before?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): As Superintendent of the hospital, she will have to do the same amount of work as she was doing as Surgeon in charge of the hospital.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon II*): The same amount of work, less the Deputy Darbar Physician's work?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes, to that extent it is less.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon II*): Does it not appear to Government that the pay itself is being raised proportionately to the amount of work that is taken from her?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I may inform the Honourable members that this allowance has been sanctioned to Mrs. Lukose only until further orders. The question will be looked into, if it is found necessary to do so.

The Vempanni chira in Quilon taluk.

163. ✻**MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI** (*Quilon I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether it is a fact that there is a Government order to the effect that the Vempanni *chira*, otherwise known as Kottiyam *chira*, in the Quilon taluk, should not be registered;

(*b*) if so, the date of that order;

(*c*) whether it is a fact that, during the time of Dewan Mr. M. E. Watts, the Dewan, the Chief Engineer and the Land Revenue Commissioner, as a result of their joint inspection, decided that the Vempanni *chira* should not be given on registry as it is of great use to the cultivation of the adjoining paddy fields;

(*d*) whether it is a fact that Government at that time called for an estimate to improve the Vempanni *chira*; and

(*e*) if so, whether the estimate was prepared?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 13-6-1929.

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